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THE Fifteenth Annual Session of the National Conference of Charities and Correction was held in Buffalo, N.Y., in July, 1888. The attendance of delegates was very large, and the session was interesting throughout. Among the papers and reports, attention may be specially called to the Report of the Committee on the Commitment and Detention of the Insane, a long and carefully prepared document, which elicited great commendation, together with some criticism. This Report, including an Appendix, which is omitted in the volume, can be had on application to Mrs. Barrows, at ten cents a copy, or \$8 for 100 copies. The chapter on Municipal Charities, a subject never before considered at length by this Conference, contains a valuable paper by ex-Mayor Low of Brooklyn, N.Y., and one on Municipal Hospitals by Dr. Arthur B. Ancker of St. Paul, Minn. The paper by Felix Adler, Ph.D., on the Influence of Manual Training on Character, is rich in suggestions worthy of serious attention from those having the care of the young. Miss Zilpha D. Smith, in her report on Organized Charities, gives the latest facts and principles in connection with her work; and the other departments usually treated — Child-saving, Industrial Education, the Education of the Feeble-minded, and Prison Reform — have full space and contain many papers of interest.

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